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**Subject:** Fwd: Results of the 8/2/22 road repairs

Yesterday I rode by the Galley about 1PM and saw John Keene finishing building up the eroded area next to the Galley. I was shocked and greatly disturbed by what I saw. On one case I am very glad to see something finally being done ( see 3-6-18 letter attached) to shore up that area but I can not believe the manner it was done. I would like to know who planned and designed this repair. I feel whoever ordered and planned this repair did not think it through. Truckloads of sand and gravel were brought in and added to the area when all of the product that was originally there has just eroded into the harbor and is right there. All it needed is an hour or two with an excavator to pull it back where it was. That material, especially if were covered by crushed shells would have shored up the road and allowed usage of that area that many have used over the years to launch and haul their skiffs.

In addition if you go down and look at it, a lot of large stones were trucked in and all that is, is ammunition for kids to throw into the harbor. The three photos attached above which were taken late this afternoon, about 24 hours after this work was done. One shows three rocks already in my boat and the other two show a couple dozen rocks already thrown in the harbor. Again that is in the first 24 hours. When I was at the Galley everyday I use to put out a sign to not throw rocks and I kept a close eye out. Small children can throw rocks but most of them have no idea where they will go. I have had rocks end up on the Galley porch (fortunately no one I know of has been hit yet but there has been close calls) and I constantly find them in my boat. I also remember seeing one runabout Lynn Murphy had tied up had a windshield broken. Parents often stand right next to a child while they throw rocks oblivious to what harm they may do. Kids also love to pick up large rocks and throw them off the Galley bulkhead to see a big splash. I constantly pick them up so my boat and other boats that may beach there don't hit them.

Now two very large stones have been placed in that area that now eliminate the ability of anyone hauling out their boat in case of a impending storm. I saw over the years many locals pull their skiffs just prior to hurricane or sever storm forecasts.

I have been concerned for years about this area and have written the selectmen a couple of times. I have also spoken to our present and past Harbormasters about this. How did we screw this up so badly. The Selectmen need to go look for themselves to see this area and if any of them want me to meet them there I gladly will.

Tim I do not have the selectmen's addresses so I would appreciate you sending them a copy of this email.

Thanks,  
Frank Fenner